Maine Revised Statutes

Title 12: CONSERVATION

Chapter 931: TAXIDERMISTS AND HIDE DEALERS HEADING: PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (new); Pt. D, §7 (aff); c. 614, §9 (aff)

§12955. SPECIAL HIDE DEALER'S LICENSE

1. License required. A person may not engage in an activity for which a special hide dealer's license may be issued under subsection 2 without a valid special hide dealer's license unless the person holds a valid license issued under section 12954.

Each day a person violates this subsection, that person commits a Class E crime for which a minimum fine of \$50 and an amount equal to twice the applicable license fee must be imposed.

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[ 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF) .]
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2. Issuance. The commissioner may issue a special hide dealer's license to any person who maintains a place of business for the butchering of wild animals within this State. The special hide dealer's license permits a holder commercially to sell or barter the heads or untanned hides of deer or moose that are butchered in the license holder's place of business.

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[ 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF) .]
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3. Expiration. All licenses issued under this section are valid for a period commencing August 1st and ending December 31st of the year in which the license is issued.

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[ 2005, c. 477, §24 (AMD) .]
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4. Fee. The annual fee for a special hide dealer's license is \$12.

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[ 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §37 (AMD) .]
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4-A. Record-keeping requirements. The following provisions apply to the keeping and filing of records.

A. A licensee shall:

- (1) Keep a true and complete record, in such form as is required by the commissioner, of all hides bartered or sold; and
- (2) Retain records required under this subsection for at least 3 years. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §351 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]
- B. The following penalties apply to violations of this subsection.
 - (1) A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.
 - (2) A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime.

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Each day a person violates this subsection is a separate offense. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §351 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]
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[ 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §351 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]
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5. **Record inspection.** Records retained under subsection 4-A must be open for inspection by the commissioner or the commissioner's agent.

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[ 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §352 (RPR) .]
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6. License violation.

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[ 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §353 (RP) .]

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